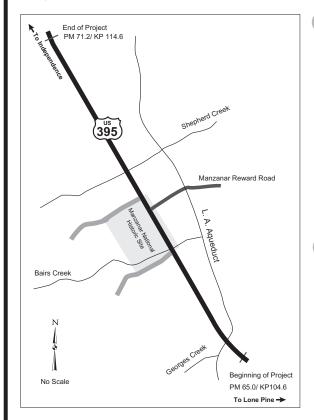


Public Notice



Notice of Intent to Adopt a Negative Declaration for the Manzanar U.S. Highway 395 Project

Do you want a public hearing on changes proposed for U.S. Highway 395?



WHAT'S AVAILABLE



The environmental document, maps and other project information are available for review at the Caltrans District 9 office located at 500 S. Main Street in Bishop, open weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Copies of the document are also available at the Inyo County Libraries, located at 168 North Edwards, Independence, CA 93526; 110 North Main Street, Big Pine, CA 93513; and 210 Academy Street, Bishop, CA 93514. The environmental document can also be found on the web at: http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist9/projmgt/Inyo_pr ojects/21440/drafteais.pdf

WHERE YOU COME IN



Have the potential impacts been addressed? Do you have information that should be included? Your comments will be part of the public record. If you wish to make a comment on the environmental document you may submit written comments until August 15, 2003 to Caltrans, Environmental Planning, Attention Juergen Vespermann, 2015 E. Shields Avenue, Suite 100, Fresno, CA 93726 or by email at juergen_vespermann@dot.ca.gov.

WHAT'S BEING PLANNED



The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes to widen U.S. Highway 395 to a four-lane divided expressway near Independence from 1.2 kilometer (0.8 mile) south of the Los Angeles Aqueduct Bridge to 2.9 kilometers (1.8 miles) south of Mazourka Canyon Road in Inyo County. The proposed project would increase capacity, improve safety and the flow of traffic, and provide route continuity.



contact Bryan Winzenread, Project Manager at (760) 872-5250, or by email at bryan_winzenread@dot.ca.gov or Juergen Vespermann, Environmental Planner at (559) 243-8171, or by email at juergen_vespermann@dot.ca.gov. For other State

Highway matters please contact the District 9 Public Affairs Office at (760) 872-0603.

WHY THIS AD



Caltrans has studied the effects this project may have on the environment. Our studies show it will not significantly affect the quality of the environment. This notice is to inform you of the preparation of the Initial Study/Environmental Assessment and of its availability for you to review. This notice also affords the opportunity for a public hearing.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS •

CONTACT



Individuals who require special accommodations (American Sign Language Interpreter, Accessible seating, documentation in alternative formats, etc.) are requested to contact Caltrans at (760) 872-0603 at least 10 days prior to the scheduled meeting date. Telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) users may contact the California Relay Service TDD line at 1-800-735-2929 or Voice Line at 1-800-735-2922. For all other State Highway matters, please contact District 9 Public Affairs at (760) 872-0603.